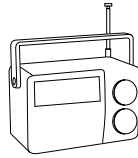




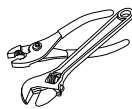
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- ☐ Bottled water, 1 gallon per person, per day
- ☐ Non-perishable food
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- ☐ First aid kit
- ☐ Battery-powered radio
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- ☐ Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
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Be Safe Outdoors

As you plan your summer recreational activities, keep in mind if your plans could cause wildfires. Look up firework and campfire restrictions and learn how to make sure your campfires are cold to the touch and dead out. Be respectful of open lands during dry conditions and use common sense.

Campfire Safety Tips

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- ☐ After lighting, do not discard the match until it is cold
- ☐ Never leave a campfire unattended, not even for a minute. When you do leave make sure it is DEAD OUT

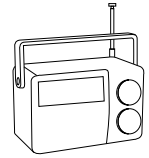
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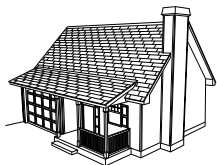
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- ☐ Identify neighborhood gathering sites and make sure all residents know where they are in case of an emergency



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Any 'no' answers require further preparation.

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- ☐ Have ladder fuels (vegetation that allows fire to climb up and off the ground) been removed?
- ☐ Is the area surrounding your home 'lean and clean' (plants kept healthy - no accumulation of flammable debris) to a distance of 30 feet?
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For more information please contact:
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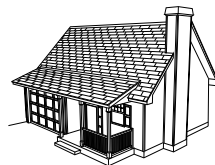
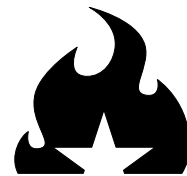
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